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## Railroad Museum to Showcase a Family-Favorite “Small Train Holiday” on November 29 & 30

**SACRAMENTO, Calif.** – California State Parks and the California State Railroad Museum have exciting plans to dazzle, delight and engage post-Thanksgiving visitors with a special “Small Train Holiday” on Friday, November 29, and Saturday, November 30, 2013.

For this special two-day holiday extravaganza, the Museum brings together a magical assortment of trains, hundreds of feet of track and an array of buildings and accessories. For just two days a year, local organizations and devoted individuals set up shop in the Museum, filling the Roundhouse with delightful model and toy train layouts of every description. Visitors of all ages will marvel at the variety of locomotives that pull pretend passengers and scaled-down shipments through all kinds of scenery, whether modeled on real places or created in the imaginations of the collectors. And, as a special treat, the Sacramento Brick Builders (Lego Club) has identified “A White Christmas” as their display theme this year. Other expanded holiday offerings inside the Museum include rides aboard the Museum’s iconic Interpretive Handcar, story time with Mrs. Claus, a discovery-filled scavenger hunt and more.

With all the fun and festive activities happening inside the Museum, there’s plenty to do outdoors in Old Sacramento State Historic Park as well. Interested guests can visit with Santa Claus in the Eagle Theatre from 2:30 – 9:30 p.m. Friday through Sunday on Thanksgiving weekend then Wednesdays through Sundays until December 22. While it’s free to take a moment to share holiday wishes with the jolly old elf, children can have their picture taken with Santa by a professional photographer for a fee. Plus, the dazzling Theatre of Lights will brighten the evening skies with a nightly symphony of lights, sounds and visual effects that start on Wednesday evening, November 27, at 6 p.m. and continue Thursdays through Sundays throughout the holiday season (except for Thanksgiving Day).

All “Small Train Holiday” activities happening inside the Railroad Museum are included with the cost of admission (\$10 adults, \$5 youths ages 6-17 and free for children five and under). More information about the California State Railroad Museum is available at [www.csrmf.org](http://www.csrmf.org)

**About the California State Railroad Museum**

*Operated by California State Parks with financial assistance from the non-profit California State Railroad Museum Foundation, the California State Railroad Museum is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. except Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year’s Day. Widely regarded as North America’s finest and most popular railroad museum, the complex of facilities includes the 100,000-square foot Railroad History Museum plus the reconstructed Central Pacific Railroad Passenger Station and Freight Depot, 1849 Eagle Theatre, and Big Four and Dingley Spice Mill commercial buildings in Old Sacramento. For 24-hour information, visit [www.csrmf.org](http://www.csrmf.org) or call (916) 445-6645.*

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